(b) The number of unelectrified villages in the districts of Kishanganj, Araria and Purnea as on 1st April, 1991 was 364, 252 and 442 respectively.

(c) The Bihar State Electricity Board has proposed to electrify five villages in Kishanganj, one village in Araria district and twelve villages in Purnea district during 1991-92.

(d) Supply of power to electrified villages from the State grid is managed by the State Electricity Boards. The power cuts as decided at the State level apply to the rural load feeders as well.

PASSENGER HALTS ON PANSKURA-HALDIA SECTION

1015. SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to provide passenger halt at Kandhibarh, Mahisadal Bayar and Baniachak on the Panskura-Haldia section of South-Eastern Railway ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be provided ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

AIR LINKING OF STATE CAPITALS WITH BHOPAL

1016. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VERMA : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal of the Indian Airlines to link all the State capitals with each other in the near future ; and

(b) if so, whether Jaipur, Lucknow, Patna, Hyderabad, Bhubaneshwar and Calcutta will be connected with Bhopal during 1991 ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

POWER SUPPLY IN CHANDIGARH

1017. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL : Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the power supply position is erratic in Chandigarh ; and

(b) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken to rectify/improve the situation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) : (a) According to the Administration of the Union Territory of Chandigarh, the power supply position in Chandigarh is not erratic. However, low voltage and voltage fluctuations occurred in some pockets of the city due to overloading of the system in the neighbouring States from where power is supplied to the Union Territory.

(b) In order to improve the situation, the Chandigarh Administration has taken steps to regulate the power supply which include imposing peak period restrictions and staggering of weekly off days of the Industrial consumers, addition of capacitors to the system for improving the voltage profile of the distribution system, augmentation and strengthening of the Transmission and Distribution Systems etc.

ADDITIONAL COACHES IN TRAINS RUNNING FROM CHANDIGARH

1018. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether additional coaches have not been attached for Haridwar, Lucknow